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May 11, 2005

Robert Steele 1055 North 400 East Nephi, Utah 84648

Subject: Public Notice Comments, Robert Steele, Hi-Cal #1Mine, M/023/071,

Juab County, Utah

Dear Steele:

As a result of the Division's tentative approval for this site, which was published for 30-day public comment, we received the attached comments from the Governor's Office of Planning and Budget, Resource Development Coordinating Committee.

The only comment of any significance is the request by the Division of Air Quality that you have a permit to crush stone at the site. You stated that the miner who crushes the stone has an air quality permit. Please contact the Division of Air Quality to obtain this approval or provide the Division with documentation that a permit is in place.

Thank you for your immediate attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Susan M. White

Mining Program Coordinator Minerals Regulatory Program

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Attachment: RDCC comments

Jerry Mansfield, BLM Fillmore, w/attach (UTU-078294)

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DIV. OF OIL, GAS & MINING

April 7, 2005

Tom Munson Division of Oil, Gas and Mining 1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210 PO Box 145801 Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801

SUBJECT:

HiCal #1Mine, M/023/071, Robert Steele Owner

Project No. 05-4997

Dear Mr. Munson:

The Resource Development Coordinating Committee (RDCC) has reviewed this proposal. State agencies comments as follows:

Department of Environmental Quality/Division of Water Quality

Before permitting development to proceed, conditions should be included within the permit as follows:

- A) Net erosion from the total comprehensive project shall not exceed 'tolerable' erosion rates as determined by USDA / NARCS for agricultural soils. Although the land is not in agricultural use, maintaining these standards will preserve and protect natural resource values of the soil and in the waters downslope of the project area.
- B) All sites disturbed by the project, including roads, drilling pads, storage and other areas shall be restored to appropriate species, variety, and density of vegetative cover when use of the site for hydrocarbon extraction is no longer pursued.
- C) No discharge or runoff of hydrocarbons shall be permitted or allowed which might enter waters of the state.
- D) A bond shall be established appropriate to insure compliance with these requirements.

Department of Environmental Quality/Division of Air Quality

The proposed project, the expansion of the HiCal #1 mine in Juab County from a small mining operation to a large mining operation, is subject to Utah Air Conservation Rule R307-205-5, Mining Activities, since fugitive dust emissions will be generated during mining activities. A permit, known as an Approval Order, is not required solely for the control of fugitive dust, but steps need to be taken to minimize fugitive dust, such as, watering and/or chemical stabilization, providing vegetative or synthetic cover and windbreaks. A permit application, known as a Notice of Intent, should be submitted to the Executive Secretary at the Utah Division of Air Quality at 150 N. 1950 West, Salt

Lake City, Utah, 84116, if any on-site crushing of stone occurs according to Utah Air Conservation Rule R307-400, Permits, Notice of Intent and Approval Order. A copy of the rules are found at www.rules.utah.gov/publicat/code/r307/r307.htm

Division of State History

The Utah State Historic Preservation Office received the referenced information on March 14, 2005. After consideration of the consultation request in behalf of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, the Utah Preservation Office provides the following comments per U.A.C. 9-8-404.

Section 404 Consultation DOGM; USHPO recommends a determination of No Historic Properties Affected.

This information is provided on request to assist with state law responsibilities as specified in U.A.C. 9-8-404. If you have questions, please contact Wilson Martin at (801) 533-3552. My email address is: wmartin@utah.gov

The Committee appreciates the opportunity to review this proposal. Please direct any other written questions regarding this correspondence to the Resource Development Coordinating Committee at the above address or call Carolyn Wright at (801) 537-9230 or Kim Frost at (801) 538-7326.

Sincerely,

John Harja

Executive Director

Resource Development Coordinating Committee